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## (a) In the claims

- 1. (Previously Amended) A method of weighing a quantity of dry substance on a weighing instrument, comprising the steps of:
- providing a paper weighing dish with at least one surface that is lubricious and substantially impermeable to finely powdered dry chemicals, wherein said container comprises a bottom wall and a raised perimeter sidewall continuous with, and surrounding said bottom wall, wherein said
- 10 perimeter sidewall comprises a multiplicity of upwardly
  oriented flutes;
  - placing said weighing dish on a weighing surface of said instrument;
  - optionally adjusting an instrument's weight reading to
- 15 zero;
  - adding said quantity of dry substance to said weighing dish; and
  - effecting a substantially quantitatively transfer of said substance by sliding said substance into a receiving
- 20 vessel.
  - 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said weighing dish is sterile.
  - 3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein said weighing dish has been sterilized by a process selected from the

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group consisting of radiation sterilization and gas sterilization.

- 4. (Original) The method of claim 3 wherein said paper has a slide angle measured in accordance with TAPPI standards of
- 5 between 8 degrees and 30 degrees.
  - 5. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said a slide angle is between 10 and 20 degrees.
  - 6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said paper is selected from the group consisting of low friction papers,
- 10 glazed papers, high slip papers, gloss-finished papers, supercalendered papers and combinations thereof.
  - 7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said paper is glassine paper.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said paper is between 0.001 and 0.010 inches thick.
  - 9. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein said paper is between 0.001 and 0.004 inches thick.
  - 10. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the shaping of said weighing dish is produced using a mechanical forming
- 20 die that utilizes a forming means selected from the group consisting of pressure, heat, and a combination thereof.
  - 11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said weighing dish is an open dish-shaped structure selected from the group consisting of tubs, trays, cups, bowls, canisters and

other vessels that are free of any structural feature that would interfere with said substantially quantitative transfer of said substance.

- 12. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein at least a
- 5 portion of said perimeter sidewall is formed into an exit spout or mouth to facilitate said substantially quantitative transfer of said substance.
  - 13. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the shape of said bottom wall is selected from the group consisting of
- 10 round, oval, square, rectangle, triangle and polygon.
  - 14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the length measured across the largest dimension of said bottom wall is between 1 inch and 6 inches.
  - 15. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein said length
- 15 is between 1.5 inches and 4 inches.
  - 16. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the height of said perimeter wall is between 0.10 inches and 2 inches.
  - 17. (Original) The method of claim 16 wherein said height is between 0.25 inches and 1.5 inch.
- 20 18. (Original)A method of measuring out a predetermined weight quantity of dry substance on a weighing instrument, comprising carrying out the steps of claim 1 but substituting for said adding step, the step of adding or subtracting empirically selected amounts of said substance

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in said weighing dish until the predetermined weight reading is reached.

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